

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SIMON ANTHONY BROWN et al. : **Confirmation No. 4961**
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For: **Etch Masks Based on Template-Assembled Nanoclusters** :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

As a preliminary matter, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the **Specification** begin on **page 2**.

The **remarks** concerning the amendments begin on **page 3**.